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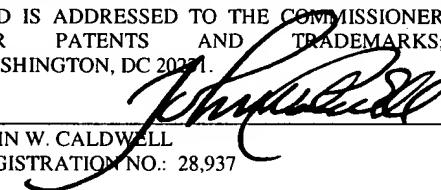
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AMENDMENT

This paper is being filed in response to the Office Action dated December 17, 2001. A request for a three-month extension of time for response also is filed herewith. Applicant respectfully requests entry of the following amendments and reconsideration of the rejection.

IN THE CLAIMS:

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Please amend claims 65-72 to read as follows:

65. (Amended) The method of claim 64 wherein the entire sequence of the oligonucleotide is complementary to the subsequence of a messenger ribonucleic acid coding for the target protein.

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